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## **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**



This October, celebrate! Celebrate the lives of the women around you by reminding them that breast cancer screenings save lives.

Make an appointment for a clinical breast exam and/or mammogram today!

## How does a woman get screened for breast cancer?

There are two screenings tests: a clinical breast exam <u>and</u> a mammogram. Starting at age 40, a woman needs to have BOTH tests. A *clinical breast exam* is performed by a doctor and can find breast cancer at an early stage when it can best be treated. A *mammogram* is a low-dose X-ray picture of the breast. Because the amount of radiation used is very low, the risk of any harm is extremely small.

## Who should get screened?

Screening >	Clinical breast	Mammogram
Age <b>↓</b>	exam	(x-ray of breasts)
20-39 years	At least every 3 years starting in your 20s	
40–49 years	Yearly	Every 1–2 years. Discuss with your doctor or nurse.
50–64 years	Yearly	Every 1–2 years. Discuss with your doctor or nurse.
65 years and older	Yearly	Every 1–2 years. Discuss with your doctor or nurse.